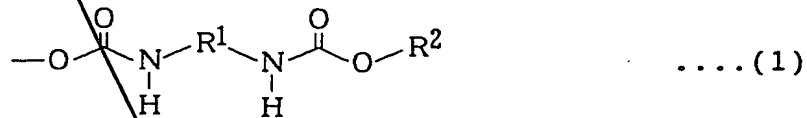


3. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the hydroxyl groups of the monosaccharide units constituting the polysaccharide of the polysaccharide-sterol derivative are substituted, in a proportion of 0.01 to 20 groups per 100 monosaccharide units, by the radical represented by the formula (1)



in which R¹ denotes a hydrocarbyl of 1-10 carbon atoms and R² represents a steryl group.

4. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 2 ~~or 3~~, wherein the proportion of introduction of the steryl groups is 0.05-15 groups per 100 monosaccharide units constituting the polysaccharide.

5. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 2 ~~or 3~~, wherein the proportion of introduction of the steryl groups is 0.1-10 groups per 100 monosaccharide units constituting the polysaccharide.

6. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, wherein the polysaccharide-sterol derivative is a pullulan-cholesterol derivative.

7. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, wherein the content of the polysaccharide-sterol derivative is in the range from

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0.001 to 50%, based on the total weight of the cosmetic product.

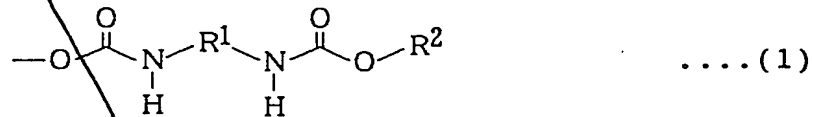
8. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~claim 1, wherein the cosmetic product is a skin care cosmetic, make-up cosmetic or hair conditioning cosmetic.

9. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~claim 1, wherein the cosmetic product is an emulsion, a beauty wash, a rouge, a manicure or a hair lotion.

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3. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the hydroxyl groups of the monosaccharide units constituting the polysaccharide of the polysaccharide-sterol derivative are substituted, in a proportion of 0.01 to 20 groups per 100 monosaccharide units, by the radical represented by the formula (1)



4. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 2, wherein the proportion of introduction of the steryl groups is 0.05-15 groups per 100 monosaccharide units constituting the polysaccharide.

5. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 2, wherein the proportion of introduction of the steryl groups is 0.1-10 groups per 100 monosaccharide units constituting the polysaccharide.

6. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polysaccharide-sterol derivative is a pullulan-cholesterol derivative.

7. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the content of the polysaccharide-sterol derivative is in the range from 0.001 to 50%, based on the total weight of the cosmetic product.

8. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cosmetic product is a skin care cosmetic, make-up cosmetic or hair conditioning cosmetic.

9. (Amended) The cosmetic product as claimed in claim 1, wherein the cosmetic product is an emulsion, a beauty wash, a rouge, a manicure or a hair lotion.

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